



PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 053847-5002

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Masami MASUKO)	Confirmation No.: 4923
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Application No.: 10/618,706)	Group Art Unit: 1753
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Filed: July 15, 2003)	Examiner: Unassigned
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For: WHETSTONE PELLET, WHETSTONE,)	
PROCESSES FOR PRODUCING THEM,)	
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING OPTICAL)	
ELEMENT USING WHETSTONE, AND)	
PROCESS FOR PRODUCING EXPOSURE))	
APPARATUS)	

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Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to the examination of the above-identified application on the merits, please amend
the application as follows: